

**COUNTY OF SUMMIT  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**March 23, 2026**

A Caucus was held prior to the meeting to discuss Agenda items. Council members Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, Higham, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite were present.

The following items were addressed before Council at the Caucus:

- 2026-081 Mike Vinay from the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2026-082 David Magura from the Court of Common Pleas addressed Council on this first reading passage request.

The Council Special Meeting was called to order at 04:34 PM in Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL- Present: Mrs. Darrow, Ms. Dickinson, Mr. Donofrio, Ms. Higham, Mr. Kacyon, Mr. Licate, Mrs. McKenney, Mr. Schmidt, Ms. Walters, Mr. Wilhite; Absent: Mr. Ford

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**FIRST READINGS**

2026-081 **An Amended Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation and to appropriate funds for the construction costs for the relocation of the sanitary sewer line due to the bridge deck replacement on State Route 91, located in the City of Munroe Falls, in Council District 3, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Mr. Wilhite moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Higham, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Absent: Ford

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Mr. Wilhite moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Higham, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Absent: Ford

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Resolution 2026-081 was adopted.

2026-082 **An Amended Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute any documents necessary to apply for a public safety grant from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the HOPE Court, for the period of October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027 2029, for an estimated amount of \$674,575.52, with an estimated**

**local cash match requirement of \$387,750.49, for an estimated total amount of \$1,062,326.01, for the Court of Common Pleas – General Division, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Licate moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Higham, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Absent: Ford

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Mr. Licate moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Higham, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Absent: Ford

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Resolution 2026-082 was adopted.

Adjournment: The Special Council Meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm.

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 23rd day of March, 2026.

Signed by:

*Monique Willis*

CLERK OF COUNCIL

Signed by:

*Erin Dickinson*

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL